



**Traffic and Transportation Commission
Minutes
Black Eyed Susan Conference Room
Meeting No. 03-14
Tuesday, May 27, 2014 at 7:30 PM**

Commissioners Present: Jude Abanulo, Nick Ferris, Thomas Gibney, Jeremy Martin, Richard Resnick, Charles Swain, John Telesco, and Melvin Willis

Guest : Councilmember Julie Palakovich Carr, Daniel Lovas, Gary Mosesman, Andrew Starling, Miho Starling, Jennifer Timmick, Galen Whittaker, Bill Balaban, Lucy Williams, Laurent Myers, Erin Myers, Jennifer Macedonia, Shannon Silkensen, Noreen Bryan, Audra Snider, Brian Shipley, Rob Bowell and Marcella Bowell

City Staff: David Levy and Daniel Seo

1. General Announcements, Introduction of Guests and Public Comment Period

- a. Chair Martin called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

2. Engage Rockville & Update on Rockville Pike Plan - Staff Presentation

- a. Mr. Levy, Chief of Long Range Planning and Redevelopment, explained about Engage Rockville and provided an update on Rockville Pike Plan.

3. Permit Parking: 200 Block of S. Washington Street & 0-100 Block of W. Argyle Street- Staff Introduction

- a. Mr. Seo provided background information on the residents' permit petition including location of the neighborhood, site observation, and public comments received prior to the meeting.
- b. Mr. Seo explained that the residents' concerns could be addressed utilizing No Parking signs or 2 Hour Parking signs instead of permit parking. Mr Seo indicated that the proposed permit parking could possibly move the parking problem to other areas.

4. Permit Parking: 200 Block of S. Washington Street & 0-100 Block of W. Argyle Street- Public Hearing

- a. The residents who submitted the permit parking petition spoke in favor of the permit parking, restating that the existing parking conditions were causing safety concerns, hazardous traffic conditions and trash problems on S. Washington Street and W. Argyle Street. The speakers were Mr. & Mrs. Starling, Ms. Jennifer Timmick, Mr. Galen Whittaker, Mr. Bill Balaban, Ms. Lucy Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Myers, Ms. Jennifer Macedonia, Ms. Shannon Silkensen, Ms. Noreen Bryan, Ms. Audra Snider and Mr. Brian Shipley.
- b. Mr. and Mrs. Bowell, 5 E. Argyle Street, spoke in favor of the permit parking.

5. Permit Parking: 200 Block of S. Washington Street & 0-100 Block of W. Argyle Street- Commission Discussion & Recommendation

- a. The Commission discussed the permit parking petition.
- b. Commissioner Ferris made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Swain, to approve the permit parking petition. This motion passed 7-0-1 with Commissioner Abanulo abstaining.

6. Proposed Development: Julius West MS Expansion – Staff Introduction

- a. Mr. Seo described the scope of the development application with an approximately 35,000 SF building addition to existing Julius West MS. The proposed expansion would allow the school to increase enrollment from 1,200 existing students to 1,445 students.
- b. Mr. Seo explained that the project would be exempt from the City's Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance requirements for intersection mitigation.

7. Proposed Development: Julius West MS Expansion – Applicant Presentation

- a. Mr. Lovas, VHB, provided an overview of the proposed development and explained that the proposed expansion would result in no significant impact to the traffic operation in the study area.
- b. Mr. Lovas and Mr. Moeseman, SEI Architects, explained about the proposed site plan, site circulation, construction staging, the study results and recommendations.

8. Proposed Development: Julius West MS Expansion – Commission Discussion and Recommendation

- a. The Commission discussed the proposed development and potential parking issues related to the development.
- b. Commissioner Gibney made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Telesco, to recommend the school's building contractor develop a construction parking plan. This motion passed unanimously.

9. Election of New Chair

- a. Commissioner Martin made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Resnick, to elect Commissioner Ferris as new chair. This motion passed unanimously.

10. Review and Approve February 25, 2014 Meeting Minutes

- a. Commissioner Resnick made a motion to approve the February meeting minutes with a minor revision on item #4-b and Commissioner Willis seconded the motion, which passed 5-0-3 with Commissioners Abanulo, Gibney and Ferris, abstaining due to absence at the February meeting.

11. Staff Report and Updates

- a. Staff provided the Weekly Report.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.